

The GARZETTE

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From the President's Desk:

Norm Schklar WA4ZXV

Wow, it's that time again. Just about time for the October meeting and that reminds me to thank Dave, W4DTR, for making sure we have an interesting program every month. And of course, thanks to all those that have participated in the programs. And of course, David, KA4KKF for reminding me every month to get in my notes, and picking up the donuts and making the coffee and cleaning up. Of course we wouldn't have a meeting place if Dave, K8WDJ, didn't make the effort to get us on the calendar and open the building. Meetings don't just happen; they take a lot of work from a lot of folks.

This week I'm in Rio de Janeiro helping put on a conference for a bunch of chemist. Talk about boring content, they're full of it. But I help with the IT and presentations, and registration, and I don't need to know any more about chemistry than helping change ink in the printers. Rio is really a great place. Funny thing, I always thought that Copacabana was a building, well; it's a beach with a bunch of buildings. I didn't bring any radio equipment, and don't have time to operate anyway.

Be sure to let Ray, KI4GRJ, know if you plan to participate in TechFest. In the next few weeks we really need to turn on the advertising, and finalize the actual activities.

I haven't seen where Eddie, WB4JEM, has finalized the antenna party, but be sure to let him know if you are available the next few weekends.

Elections aren't all that far away, so be thinking about how you can help keep GARS a great organization.

The Alford Memorial HamFest is next month. Let me know if you are able to spend some time at a GARS booth. If we have some interest, we'll hang a banner, and offer a seat or two for weary festers. This is a great time to meet a few new folks.

See you at the meeting!

73
Norm Schklar, WA4ZXV

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Metro Atlanta Club Meetings

First Tuesday

Kennehoochee ARC

Southern Polytechnic State University
Meeting begins at 7:30 PM
Talk In 146.880(-)

Second Monday **Georgia Tech ARC**

Room W218
Van Leer Electrical Engineering Bldg.
Georgia Tech Campus
Meeting at 7:00 PM

First Thursday

Atlanta Radio Club

Georgia Red Cross HQ
1955 Monroe Dr., Atlanta
Meeting is at 7:30 PM
Talk In -146.820(-)

N.E. Georgia ARC

Commerce Public Library
Meeting is at 6:30 PM
Talk In - 147.225(+)
PL 123.0

Second Thursday

Alford Memorial Radio Club

Annistown Road Baptist Church
Intersection of Annistown Rd & Spain Rd
Stone Mountain
Dinner at 6:00 PM
Meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 146.760(-)

Third Thursday

North Fulton Amateur Radio League

Southern Skillet
1037 Alpharetta St., Roswell
Dinner at 6:30 PM, meeting at 7:30 PM
Talk In - 145.47(-)

First Saturday

North GA QRP Club

Wieuca Baptist Church on Peachtree Rd/Wieuca, 10 AM

Metro Atlanta VE Exam Schedule

GARS publishes Metro Atlanta area VE exam schedules as a service and is not responsible for errors or changes. Call and confirm schedules before going. All sessions are walk-in. Take copies of current license and certificate of completed elements with you to all sessions. Find additional sessions online at www.arrl-ga.org

First Saturday, Even Months

9:00AM
EOC Building
Butch Nitz, AF4FS (770) 968-8780

First Wednesday

7:00 PM
ARRL/VEC
Roberts School
4681 School Street,
Acworth
Jodi Escher AG4BK
770-387-1591

Second Tuesday

7:00PM
Walton EMC
3645 Lenora Church Rd, Snellville
Wayne Taylor, WD4CCA
(770)498-7759

Second Saturday, Odd Months

ARRL VEC
8:30 AM
Stone Mountain Methodist Church
5312 West Mountain St.
Stone Mountain
Bob Varone, W4ETN
(770)978-3179

Third Saturday

CA VEC
9:00AM
Marietta First United Methodist Church
Room 305, 56 Whitlock Ave
Marietta
David Still, WB4RRD
(770) 973-2566

Fourth Tuesday

ARRL VEC
7:00 PM
United Way Service Center
6279 Fairburn Road, Douglasville

Third Sunday

W5YI VEC
3:00 – 5:00 PM
St. John Neumann Church
801 Tom Smith Road Lilburn
Headphones Provided! Howie Gould,
W9HG (770)921-8362

Fourth Sunday

2:30 PM
Georgia Tech Student Center
Room 301
David Ziskind, KE4QLH
(404) 966-6864

GARS Communication System

6 Meter Repeater

53.110 (-1 MHz)
82.5 PL Tone

2 Meter Repeater

147.075(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone

70 Cm Repeater

444.525(+) MHz
82.5 PL Tone

APRS

144.390 -- 1200 Baud
W4GR/Relay

Main Repeater Site

Oak Street, Lawrenceville

Backup Repeater Site

Lanier Mountain, Snellville

Remote Receive Sites

Bogan Road, Buford
Goshen Springs Road, Norcross
Lanier Mountain, Snellville



JOTA

(Jamboree On The Air)



WHERE: TROOP 54 SCOUT HUT (Inside Rhodes Jordan Park)

Intersection of Hwy 124 & Hwy 29 in Lawrenceville

Turn into the park at the traffic light at the 124/29 intersection. Go to the stop sign and turn right

WHEN: 10:00 AM Til 4:00 PM Saturday, Oct. 21st

WHAT IS JOTA? Jamboree On The Air is a world wide scouting event held the third Saturday in October each year. Scouts from all over the world will join with amateur radio operators and have the opportunity to talk to other scouts in countries all around the world. No training is required and a patch is available.

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Proposed GARS Bylaws Changes

Submitted by David Bruse (W4DTR)

COMMENTS:

Below are proposed changes to the GARS Bylaws. Proposed words to be deleted are highlighted in **RED AND OUT-LINED**. Proposed words to be inserted are highlighted in GREEN and underlined.

CURRENT:

C.1. The officers of the GARS shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and **ACTIVITIES** Manager.

PROPOSED:

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CURRENT:

C.3.5. The order of election of officers shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and **ACTIVITIES** Manager.

PROPOSED:

C.3.5. The order of election of officers shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Program Manager.

CURRENT:

D.2. The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the president in the absence of the president and shall be an ex officio member of all committees.

PROPOSED:

D.2. The Vice President shall assume all the duties of the president in the absence of the president and shall be an ex officio member of all committees. He shall act as a liaison between the GARS and the ARES.

CURRENT:

D.4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members in conjunction with the Treasurer, carry out all correspondence, thank in writing **ALL GUEST SPEAKERS AND OTHER** such persons, firms, or organizations obligating to the GARS by their favors, read communications at the meetings, and shall at the end of his term turn over everything in his possession belonging to the GARS to his successor.

PROPOSED:

D.4. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings, keep a roll of members in conjunction with the Treasurer, carry out all correspondence, thank in writing such persons, firms, or organizations obligating to the GARS by their favors, read communications at the meetings, and shall at the end of his term turn over everything in his possession belonging to the GARS to his successor.

CURRENT:

D.5. **THE ACTIVITIES MANAGER SHALL BE IN CHARGE OF OFFICIAL ACTIVITIES OF THE GARS AND SHALL APPOINT SUCH ASSISTANTS AS MAY BE NECESSARY TO ASSIST HIM IN SPECIFIC FIELDS OF ACTIVITY. HE SHALL COOPERATE WITH THE ARRL EMERGENCY COORDINATOR TO THE BEST OF HIS ABILITY AND SHALL DIRECT ALL GARS EMERGENCY ACTIVITIES.**

PROPOSED:

D.5. The Program Manager shall be in charge of the program portion of each regular general membership meetings of the GARS. It is his responsibility to schedule guest speakers to give presentations at the general membership meetings and thank each of them in writing.

ADD:

H.6. The Vice President shall assist the President in appointing committee chairmen for any and all committees created by the President as requested by the President.



Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society
P.O. Box 88
Lilburn, GA 30048

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

☐ **NEW MEMBER**
☐ **RENEWAL**

GARS USE ONLY

Date App Rcvd ____ / ____ / ____

Pmt Rcvd ____ / ____ / ____

Payment Amt \$ _____

Mem Appr ____ / ____ / ____

Database ____ / ____ / ____

Amateur Call Sign _____ License _____ Class _____ Novice _____ Technician _____ General _____

Advanced _____ Extra _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ - _____

Email address _____

Home Telephone _____

Work Telephone _____

Cell Telephone _____

Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ (mm/dd/yy)

ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests _____

I prefer to receive the GARZETTE newsletter by: US Mail Email (please check only one)

Type of Membership

Individual \$30.00 annually

Student \$15.00 annually

Senior \$15.00 annually (over age 65)

Family ** \$35.00 annually

** Available for family members residing at the same address

Optional Contributions

Repeater Fund \$ _____

Scholarship Fund \$ _____

Additional Family Members **

Name _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ (mm/dd/yy)

License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests _____

Name: _____ Date of Birth ____ / ____ / ____ (mm/dd/yy)

License Class Technician General Extra ARRL Member Yes No Life

Interests _____

I agree to abide by the By-Laws of the Gwinnett Amateur Radio Society and understand that membership is subject to the approval of the Club.

Applicant Signature _____ Date ____ / ____ / ____

September GARS General Meeting**September 12, 2006**

Norm Schklar, WA4ZXV, President, opened the meeting at 7:38 pm

First time visitors were recognized and one new member, Bob Runner, KE4BPR was voted into full membership. Introductions were made and ARRL affiliate members who are also members of GARS were recognized. Venture Crew 73 is in a recruiting mode seeing new youth between the ages of 14 and 21. GARS is their sponsor.

Committee Reports:

Earl Whatley, AF4FG, vice president reported that Jamboree on Air will be the weekend of October 21. This is a worldwide event and our station will be set up at the Troup 54 scout hut in Rhodes Jordan Park using the special call sign KK4BSA.

Membership – two new members were voted in as full members, Dale Burns, KI4MZO, and Bill Stewman, W5RQR.

The membership committee is now sending meeting notices to new hams in the area inviting them to the meeting.

Dave, the program chairman reported that the October meeting will be presented by Andrea Hartlage, KG4IUM, about the Youth Lounge at the Alford Memorial Hamfest last year and plans for this year. Also in October, the Venture Crew 73 will give a report.

Net – JD has successfully completed his first tour as net manager. It was decided that the net will meet on December 25 as well as January 1.

Old Business

The treasurer's report was given and accepted without correction. All bills have been paid and money from the dog show has been received.

The minutes from the August meeting were accepted without correction.

Announcements

There is a need for someone to be chair of the Christmas party.

Tech Fest needs a list of who wants to do what so that a schedule can be developed.

There will be an antenna party to put the repeater antennas back up on the water tower. Ground crew workers are needed.

Gordon announced that the Alford Memorial Hamfest will be the first weekend in November, the 4th and 5th.

Break

Program: Megan Jackson from Georgia State University Department of Physics and Astronomy gave a very interesting program on radio astronomy.

She was given a certificate of appreciation from GARS.

Prize drawings were held.

Adjourned: The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm

Prepared by Randy Collins, acting secretary

Do you know a boy or girl
14 to 21 years old
who wants to:

- Climb, hike, canoe, camp
- Talk on an amateur radio
- Have Fun
- Tell them about

October

7 - SET

14 - 15 ARRL International EME Competition

November

4 - 5 HAMFEST Lawrenceville, GA

4 - 6 ARRL November Sweepstakes (CW)

11 - 12 ARRL International EME Competition

18 - 20 ARRL November Sweepstakes (Phone)

December

1 - 3 ARRL 160 Meter Contest

9 - 10 ARRL 10 Meter Contest

Venture Crew 73

We meet the first Tuesday
of each Month, 7:30PM at
Prospect United Methodist
Church Youth room.

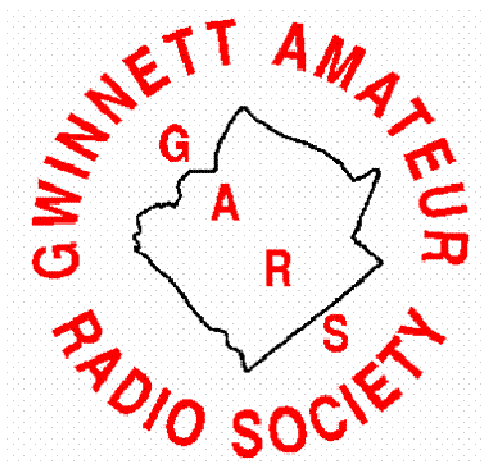
For more information Visit

www.gars.org/crew73

or contact Ray Back:

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Gwinnett County ARES

Oct 7 - SET Simulated Emergency Test

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Help Wanted

Public Information Officer
Christmas Party Chairman

GARS Apparel

Several items of clothing that feature our Club logo and/or your call sign are available to Club members. These items include polo shirts, sweat shirts, caps, jackets and other articles. Call sign badges can also be ordered. See Amy Woodrick, KE4IKF, at the next Club meeting for a listing of items and their associated costs.

GARS Recurring Calendar

- Monthly club meeting is the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30 PM. Check the Web Site for Location.
- Every Monday at 8 PM local time: GARS Want, Swap, Sell, and Information Net on the GARS 2 meter repeater
- Every Wednesday at 9 PM local time: GARS 6 meter net on the GARS 6 meter repeater
- Every Saturday at 7:30 AM local time: GARS Weekly Family Breakfast, Golden Corral Restaurant, Riverside Drive, Lawrenceville
- 20th of each month: Deadline for submittal of articles for the following month's *GARZETTE*

GARS

APPAREL ORDER FORM

NAME: _____ PHONE # _____
 CALL: _____
 NAME TO BE EMBROIDERED: _____
 CALL SIGN TO BE EMBROIDERED: _____

ITEM	SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE	TOTAL
T-SHIRT				
Red WITHOUT name & call			\$20.00	
White WITHOUT name & call			\$20.00	
Red WITH name & call			\$20.00	
White WITH name & call			\$20.00	
GOLF SHIRT -- WITHOUT name & call				
Red			\$24.00	
White			\$24.00	
GOLF SHIRT -- WITH name & call				
Red			\$28.00	
White			\$28.00	
SWEATSHIRT				
Red WITHOUT name & call			\$30.00	
White WITHOUT name & call			\$30.00	
Red WITH name & call			\$30.00	
White WITH name & call			\$30.00	
LIGHTWEIGHT JACKET -- RED ONLY				
WITHOUT name & call			\$31.00	
WITH name & call			\$35.00	
HEAVYWEIGHT JACKET -- RED ONLY				
WITHOUT name & call			\$41.00	
WITH name & call			\$45.00	
GARS BADGE -- WITH name & call			\$9.00	
HAT -- WITHOUT name & call				
Red			\$9.00	
White			\$9.00	
HAT -- WITH name & call				
Red			\$14.00	
White			\$14.00	

TOTAL ORDER PRICE: _____

Please attach your check made payable to GARS and return to Amy Woodrick, KE4IKF or mail to:

GARS
P.O. Box 88
Lilburn, Georgia 30048

NOTE: Please allow at least 4 weeks for delivery of items. Some items may need to be special ordered.

Thanks and 73s! -- Amy KE4IKF

Amateur (Ham) Radio in Action

9th Annual

Tech-Fest & Chili Cookoff

January 13, 2007 10:00 till 2:00

Be sure to get it on *your* calendar

(Free Admission)

- **For the Non-Ham and Ham alike...** Your opportunity to see many modes and types of Ham Radio Equipment in action. Visit with knowledgeable operators demonstrating many aspects of Ham Radio. We'll answer questions, and show you how it works. Speak with local Amateur Radio Clubs and Societies to gain insight into how Hams are organized for Public Service, Emergency Communications, sharing technology ideas and having fun. Meet with Scout Leaders to hear how scouting and Ham radio intersect.
- **For Amateur Radio Organizations...** An opportunity to display your groups wares, a place to meet and swap operating experiences on a Saturday morning in January. A table to set up a display or banner. And you're invited to bring along a working amateur radio project.

Demonstrations are indoors, so weather should not be a problem. Free coffee, drinks and lunch are provided. Setup begins at 9:00. We'll open the parking lot for tailgating at 8:00. Tailgating is free. We will not be offering tables. An area of the parking lot will be designated for Tailgating, so be sure you are in the designated area before any setup.

for more information:

- Ray Back, ki4grj@sback.org
 - David Adcock, ka4kkf@arrl.net
- Check the web site for latest details*

www.gars.org

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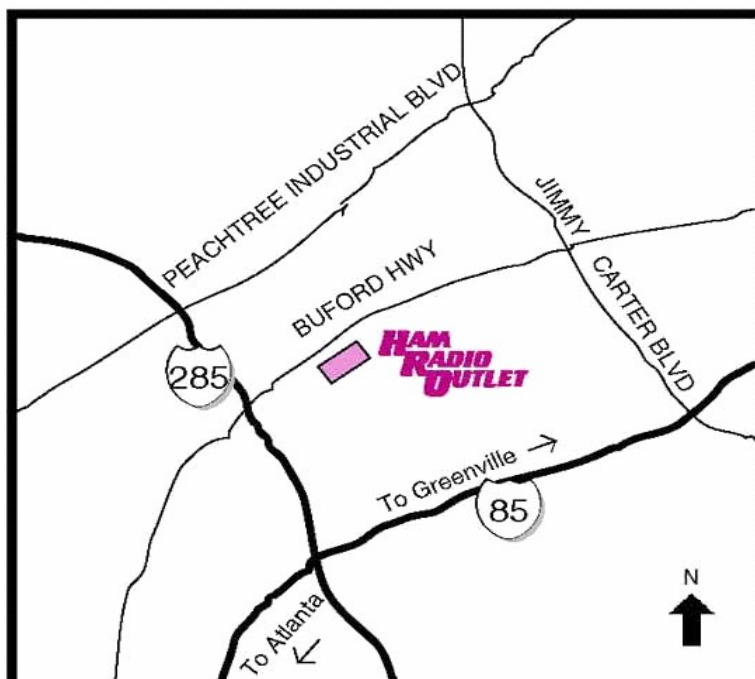
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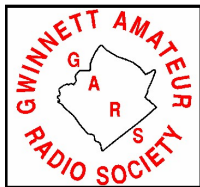
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**Saturday Morning
Breakfast**

**Join us at the Golden
Coral on Riverside Drive
in Lawrenceville at 7:30
a.m.**

Next Meeting

Tuesday, October 10 th

Meetings are on the

***Second Tuesday of the
month 7:30pm at the
St Marguerite D'Youville
Church, 85 Gloster Rd
NW, Lawrenceville, GA
30044.***

***Just off Highway 29 SW of
Lawrenceville.***

***Directions on the Web
Site.***

<http://www.gars.org>

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